

HANCOCK

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES
OF M. E. SUNDAY SCHOOL

Christmas to be appropriately observed with special features Sunday and Tree and Program for Children Monday Evening.

Christmas will be appropriately observed at First M. E. church. On Sunday in the morning the pastor will preach an appropriate sermon, and in the evening, a suitable sermon will be given by Rev. Jas. Pascoe, district superintendent.

The church is arranging to send baskets of provisions and other articles to the poor of the community. Contributions of food, apparel or money may be sent to the church or parsonage any time before Friday evening.

The children's Christmas exercises will be held on Monday night, December 27, instead of Christmas night as formerly announced. At this service the following program will be given:

Song, primary class.
Christmas school.
Christmas Greeting, Effie Bettens, Prayer.
Song, school.
Scripture lesson.
Song, "Long Ago on Christmas," seven boys.

Recitation, "Legend of the Fir and Poplar," Russell Kidd.
Recitation, "The First Christmas Eve," Lizale Berryman.

Song, "Christmas Fairies," primary class.
Dialogue, "Grandma," four children.

Recitation, Alice Hoffenbacher.
Recitation, Richard B. James.
Dialogue, "Christmas Hymn," four girls.

Recitation, Lottie Campbell.
Song, school.
Recitation, Ethel Edwards.

Song, "Christmas Candles," six girls.
Recitation, Muriel McLeod.
Solo, "Lullaby," Beatrice Tamblin.

Exercise, seven girls.
Song, school.
Recitation, Myrtle Volmer.

Offering.
Duet, Muriel McLeod, Lillian Truscott.
Song, school.

Finnish Sunday Schools.

The Sunday school exercises of the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran church of Hancock will be held on Sunday evening next at the North Star Temperance hall at 7 o'clock, at which time there will be a program of musical numbers, both vocal and instrumental, including several selections by the Ladies' Savel choir of the North Star society. There will also be a number of addresses and recitations. The Franklin Finnish Sunday school will give a program on Christmas night at 8 o'clock at the temperance hall at Franklin and a program will also be given at the Boston hall by the Finnish Sunday school of that place, beginning at 7 o'clock.

MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION.

The next regular meeting of the Portage Lake Merchants' association is due to take place on the second Wednesday evening in January. The association is in a flourishing condition and application to the secretary for information from merchants affiliated with the organization are becoming quite frequent. The usefulness of the association is now generally recognized and the membership is constantly increasing. Over seven thousand names and records are now contained in the card system index at the office of the secretary, which are at the service of members. It is thought probable that a special meeting of the merchants may be called next week to act on the matter of 6 o'clock closing of the stores after the holidays.

J. W. Cliffe of the Grinnell Bros. will leave tomorrow for his home at Traverse City for the holidays.

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FINNISH CHURCH MEETING.

The annual meeting of the congregation of the Finnish Lutheran church will take place on Sunday, January 9, at which time church officers will be elected for the ensuing year. The date of the dedication of the new church has not yet been announced, but it is expected to take place early in January. The pews are to be shipped this week from Minneapolis, and when they are installed the church will be ready for occupancy, the contractors having finished the remainder of the interior work.

SCHOOLS CLOSED TODAY.

Pupils Are Dismissed for a Ten Days' Christmas Holiday.

The Hancock public schools, also the three local parochial schools and the Ripley and Franklin township schools closed this afternoon for the Christmas holidays, with suitable programs. The school rooms were decorated with suitable designs, and gifts were distributed to the children in most of the primary rooms. The entertainment given at the Ripley school last night was well presented and will be repeated again this evening.

Rooms 11 and 12 of the Central primary, of which Miss Gau and Miss Skoglund are the teachers, united yesterday afternoon in the presentation of the following program:

Song, Shine Out O Blessed Star.
Recitation, Little Town of Bethlehem, Mabel Strong.

Birds Christmas Carol, a play: Mrs. Ruggles, Lillian Truscott; Sarah Maud, Margaret McAllister; Peter, Bert Hosking; Kittie, Hazel Gregor; Susan, Ida Schulte; Clem, Clement Richards; Ely, Grethe Martinson; Peoria, Joan Martinson; Larry, Chester Richards.

Recitation, The Fir Tree, Clara Reh-unlund.
Violin, Traumerel, Charles Gould.

Recitation, A Christmas Carol, Lena Wirsula.
Recitation, A New Year, Genevieve Richards.

Song, Silent Night, All.
Dickens Christmas Carol: Scrooge, Harold Bird; Nephew, S. M. Tillman; Bob Cratchett, George Brock; Gentleman, Herbert Mette; Boy, Donald Crawford; Singer, Melvin Opie.

Recitation, Dance of the Months, Hattie Appelbaum.
Song, Ring, Wild Bells.

A CASE OF SHOPLIFTING.

The first instance of shoplifting reported this season occurred yesterday at the Nichols' drug store when someone deliberately walked off with a leather handbag, valued at about twelve dollars. Some of the bags had been shown to a customer and one of them happened to be laid a little to one side and at a distance from the others. The clerk in attendance happened to be called away for a moment and on returning found that the bag, which was green in color, had vanished and also a woman who had been standing at the counter. The person who took the bag is known and Mr. Nichols will not prosecute if the bag is returned.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Ceremonies by Royal Arch Masons Followed by Turkey Supper.

The officers of the Gate of Temple chapter of the Royal Arch Masons elected last month were formally installed last evening with the full ceremonial of the order, conducted by Past High Priest Fred M. Stoyke. After the ceremonial session there was a smoker and a turkey supper, which was greatly appreciated and enjoyed to the fullest extent by the large number of members present. A brief program of music and addresses was given, there being two vocal selections by a male quartette composed of J. H. Gillespie, Fred Rundle, John Delbridge and W. H. Rowe, and solos were sung by Messrs. Rundle and Delbridge. The officers installed were as follows: High Priest, Dr. N. B. Fox; King, W. H. Rowe; Scribe, Charles Avery; Treasurer, Thomas Ingram; Secretary, Jeremiah Bettens; Captain of the Host, John M. Wagner; Principal Sojourner, Dr. E. T. Abrams; Royal Arch Captain, T. J. Richards; Master of third vale, R. J. Cameron; Master second vale, A. J. Lord; Master first vale, E. M. Ingram; sentinel, Fred Rundle.

Ed. Mersey one of the members of the life saving corps at the canal, will leave this afternoon for Chicago to spend the holidays.

A dance will be given by the Hancock high school athletic association in Germania hall on the evening of Friday, January 14. At a meeting of the association held this week Earl Loudy and Emmett Coughlin were appointed a committee to make arrangements for the dance, which will be the first given by high school students this year. The proceeds will be applied to the treasury of the association.

The election of officers of the Finnish North Star or Polantahiti Temperance society of Hancock was held last Saturday night, the result being the selection of the following:

Corresponding secretary, E. Pesonen. President, L. Ahonen.

Vice president, J. Mustonen. Financial secretary, A. Lukkunen.

Recording secretary, J. Ala. Treasurer, M. Yitola.

Ushers, S. Martti, J. Piirainen.

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